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## Mayor: 'Miracle' no one died in Ontario tornado

Roughly 100 homes were destroyed after twister hit central community of Angus **PAGE 18-19**

## CHILE MAKES CHUMPS OUT OF PAST CHAMPS

CHILE DEFENDS AGAINST SPANISH ARMADA TO ADVANCE, WHILE CROATIA STAYS ALIVE WITH BIG WIN OVER CAMEROON **PAGE 37**



## KEYNOTE ON KEYSTONE AND HARD CHOICES

Former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton delivers a keynote address during a luncheon in Edmonton on Wednesday. Clinton stopped in the city as part of her book tour, promoting her book *Hard Choices*. See story, page 6. JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# 'AHS does not have a response time target ...'

**Leaked memo.** No accountability in the system, paramedic says



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Edmonton paramedics worried about ambulance response times are being told Alberta's health authority doesn't keep targets for how quickly an ambulance should arrive.

A management memo, leaked to Metro Edmonton, was written in response to several reports paramedics had with lengthy response times. It also said AHS is not striving for a specific standard.

"AHS does not have a response time target; instead, we monitor response times and investigate variability or sig-

nificant changes to determine cause and intervene as needed," the memo stated.

While a target of eight minutes in 90 per cent of cases is a common standard, in an emailed response spokesperson Kerry Williamson said that yardstick is based on a 1979 study. "The level of care provided by paramedics, and in our emergency departments, has improved significantly in the past 35 years," he said.

A veteran Edmonton-area paramedic, who wished to remain anonymous out of fear of possible job repercussions, said there was more accountability in the system before AHS took over ambulance service.

"We had response time targets and if we weren't meeting targets, a supervisor would ask why," he said.

The paramedic said that while response times aren't

rising dramatically, it's largely because of a practice known as consolidation, where one crew sits with several patients in an emergency room.

A chart included in the memo shows that Edmonton paramedics have been in that position more often, with a low of around 20 hours late last year to 160 hours in late May, and a peak of nearly 230 hours in early April. "It's a Band-Aid solution that we do multiple times a day and it doesn't fix the problem," said the paramedic.

Williamson said on the other hand, the consolidation practice is a good way to keep ambulances on the road.

"This frees up other EMS crews and gets them back on the road faster, and able to respond to calls," he said.

He said they were constantly monitoring the situation and had recently added resources.

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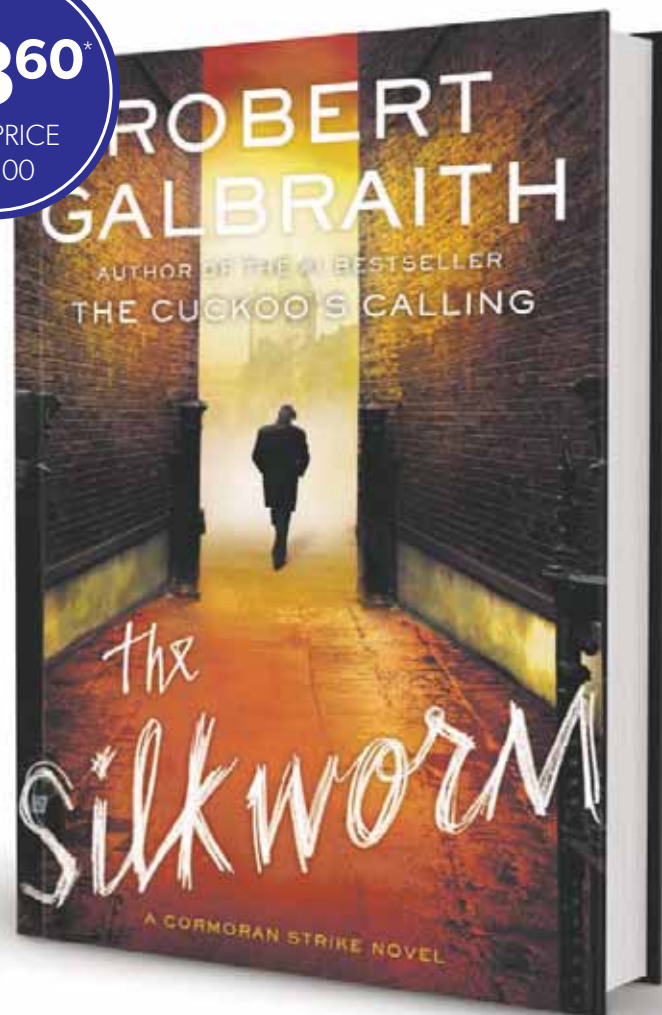
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## Whyte Ave. Size main concern of new building

The developers behind a proposed building on Whyte Avenue were told size matters Wednesday, as residents brought the building's height front and centre at a public meeting.

The building is proposed to rise from the long-vacant former Esso station on Whyte Avenue at 105 Street.

Several residents raised concerns that the building, at a proposed six storeys tall, would overshadow neighbouring properties.

"It will be a large impact and it's a delicate neighbourhood," said Henry Maisonneuve of the Old Strathcona Historical Foundation.

He said he's worried the building will not only be physically too big, but also impact area land prices.

"Ultimately what this will do is increase rental rates and ultimately this will impact the mom-and-pops, the local independent businesses," he said.

Kendal Harazny, principal with Wexford Developments, said Wexford could have built a four-storey building extending to the street, but is instead proposing a two- or three-storey podium, with a setback of the residential levels.

He said the size is dictated in part by the costs, but also in the building's proposed use.

"We want to bring some life back to that corner and having a mixture of retail uses, office uses and residential uses will do wonders for that area," he said. "It's more so that it's the use that we really believe in."

The zoning changes will be in front of council in the fall.

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Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre will close to accommodate the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup this summer. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

# CCRC to close for FIFA tournaments

**Commonwealth  
Community  
Recreation Centre.**  
Facility to act as media  
centre, offices, training  
area during event



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Some recreation centre users will be left on the sidelines when FIFA takes to the field this summer and in 2015.

The Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre is scheduled to close for about three weeks this summer

and for more than a month in 2015. The facility will be closed from July 26 to Aug. 18 this summer for the U-20 World Cup and then again from May 27 to July 5 for the Women's World Cup in 2015.

Facility director Evelyn Ehrman said the recreation centre serves a dual purpose, especially around international events like this one. That situation, unfortunately, will limit public access.

"We have a really unique situation here at Commonwealth because the recreation centre is not only a recreation centre, but a significant support to the stadium," Ehrman said.

During the games, she said, the recreation centre

### Temporary closure

Ehrman said the city is offering a month's refund for both annual and monthly memberships.

- Users with memberships can also use other Edmonton facilities during the closure.

will be used as a media centre, as well as office space and training areas for the teams.

Ehrman acknowledged the inconvenience, but said that the tournament offers an opportunity to put Edmonton on the international stage.

"It's going to showcase

Edmonton as well showcase Canada, so we are really hoping that people are going to understand and get by the inconvenience," she said.

She said initially they didn't plan to close the facility during the tournament, but as the requirements added up, it became clear it couldn't stay open.

Regular user Eric Martens said it was disappointing the facility would have to close.

"I actually really like working out here. It's a great gym," he said.

Martens said he comes to the facility three or four times a week and is disappointed he will have to move around for the tournament.

"It's kind of inconvenient."

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## Lotto Max. Unclaimed \$50M jackpot waiting for someone in Edmonton

Someone in Edmonton is \$50 million richer, but it appears that person doesn't know it yet.

The Western Canadian Lottery Corporation is pleading for the winner of a \$50-million draw from Dec. 20 to come forward. There was only one winner for that draw and the ticket was sold in the Edmonton area.

The winning numbers of the Lotto Max jackpot were: 2, 13, 18, 24, 27, 37 and 43.

Lottery officials say if no one comes forward, this would be the largest unclaimed prize in

Canadian history.

"It's not uncommon for people to forget about their lottery tickets, especially tickets purchased at such a busy time of year," WCLC's Andrea Marantz said. "We urge everyone to think back and look for tickets, even if it isn't for the Dec. 20 draw. We love to see our players claim all prizes — from free plays to the jackpots."

Anyone who believes they have the winning ticket can call WCLC customer care at 1-800-665-3313. METRO

## Hot event. Seniors tickets only at folk music festival

Those looking to nab weekend passes to the Edmonton Folk Music Festival will be disappointed as the popular event has sold out to all but seniors as of Wednesday afternoon.

All weekend passes and individual day passes for adults and youth to the festival have been sold, but there are still tickets available for seniors.

Organizers had anticipated a ticket sellout on Wednesday after a glitch on the festival's

website slowed down online ticket sales on June 7.

Leon Redbone, who was set to perform during the festival, had to cancel due to illness, according to a media release. Jake Shimabukuro, a ukulele player, has been added to the lineup.

More than 68 groups and solo artists will perform at the Gallagher Park-based festival running from Aug. 7 to 10.

STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO



Infrastructure Minister Wayne Drysdale explains Tuesday why the province has decided against P3 construction for 19 schools across the province. LEAH GERMAIN/METRO

# Province ditches P3 model for schools

**Education.** Trustee frustrated with delays for new city facilities



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Students in some of Edmonton's most crowded schools may face more time in their brimming buildings, as the province has decided to ditch its public-private partnership model and delay construction on three new city schools for up to a year.

**By the numbers**

## 50

The Conservatives promised 50 new schools in the last election, all of which will be built through the traditional procurement method.

On Wednesday, Infrastructure Minister Wayne Drysdale declared the province will now build 19 new schools through its own procurement method.

While the minister said the decision will save taxpayers upwards of \$14 million, it will push back opening dates

for some schools from 2016 to 2017.

The province had previously touted the P3 model as a cheaper, more efficient practice to get schools in the ground.

"This is not the end of P3s," Drysdale told media at a press conference.

"If it doesn't show value for money, then we won't go forward."

Edmonton Public School Board chair Sarah Hoffman said the news is disappointing, since two of the 19 schools were slated to be built in Terwillegar Heights and Heritage Valley to help alleviate capacity concerns.

capacity concerns.

"For the kids in those two neighbourhoods, this is going to be frustrating for them," Hoffman said. "We don't want kids on the bus longer than they need to be and, of course, we wish we had these schools today."

Lori Nagy of Edmonton Catholic Schools said the district is going to work closely with the province to ensure a 2016 opening date.

"We're going to continue to work towards that date," Nagy said. ECS is expecting a new K-9 school in Lewis Farms to serve upwards of 900 students in the area.

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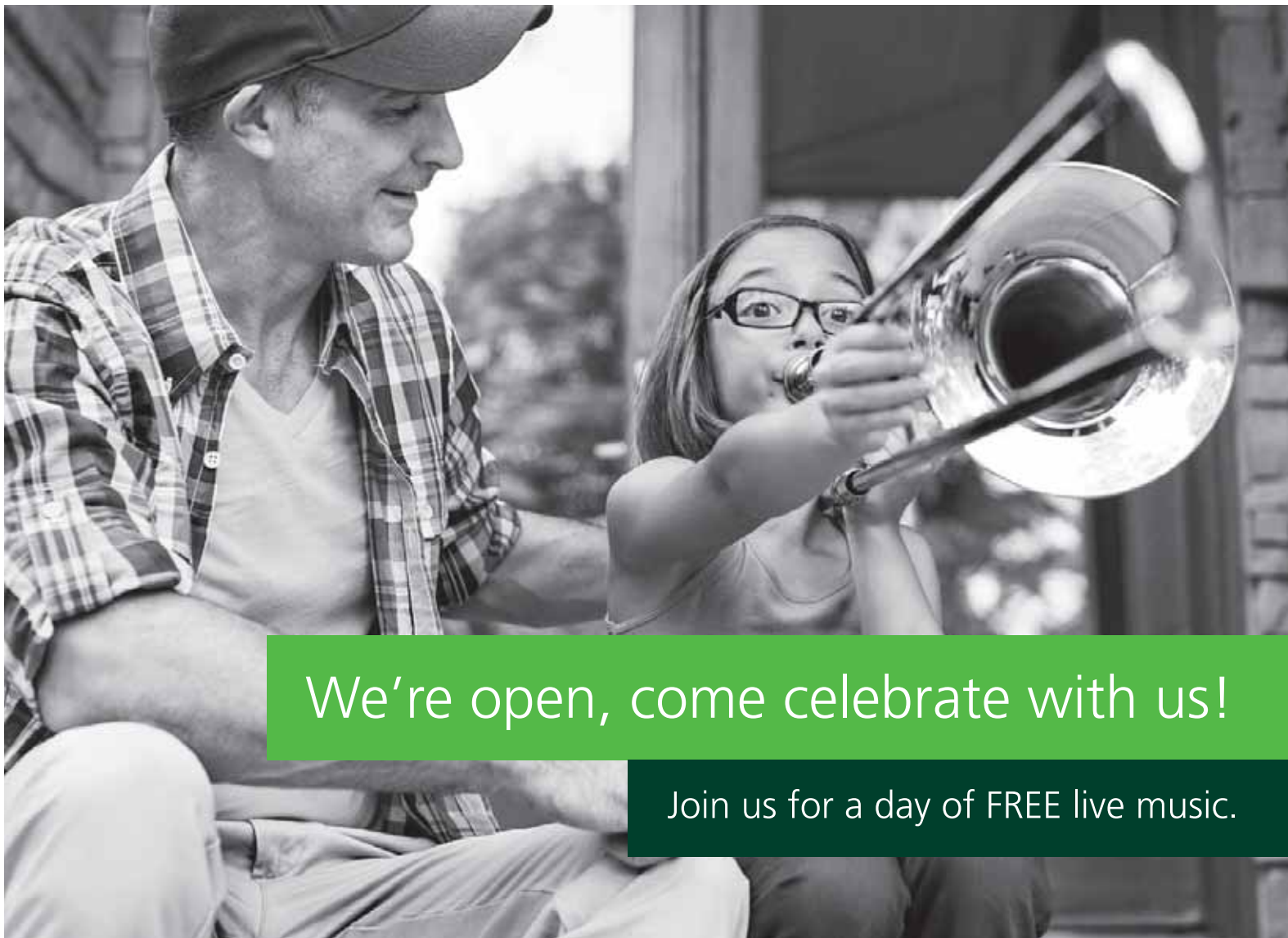
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# Hillary Clinton stresses need for cross-border collaboration

## Edmonton Chamber.

Former U.S. secretary of state spoke to Edmontonians as part of her book tour



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The U.S. and Canada could benefit from a closer relationship in the face of growing energy and climate change concerns, said former U.S. secretary of state Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Speaking to more than 1,400 people at the Shaw Conference Centre Wednesday, Clinton stopped in Edmonton as one leg of her latest book tour, *Hard Choices*.

"Some Americans and some Canadians might take our relationship for granted, but I certainly don't," Clinton said to the audience.

"To me, it's a remarkable accomplishment that no two countries are closer than we are. No border is longer or more peaceful. No one trades more or shares more core values."

Sharing stories from both her time on the campaign trail in 2007 for the Democratic nomination and her four years as U.S. Secretary of State, Clinton stressed the need for greater collaboration



Hillary Rodham Clinton spoke in Edmonton Wednesday, as part of one Canadian stop on her book tour. JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

between the U.S. and Canada when it comes to dealing with energy, including the Keystone pipeline.

"Of course, we're going to continue using fossil fuels, but I think we should

set the global example for transitioning in some more orderly way away from fossil fuels," she said. "We're in a perfect position to do that."

Clinton said the two countries also need to update the

"rules of the road," which include promoting values each nation has in common.

While rumours are swirling about whether or not Clinton will run for president of the U.S. in 2016, Clinton

answered a hypothetical question on what would make her a good nominee.

"Part of what I have seen is the importance of constantly trying to bring any debate back to real life," she said.

## St. Albert. Public input wanted on LRT plans

It's predicted to be several years before St. Albert gets an LRT system but city officials are getting on track with what residents want to see for transit in their city.

With public consultations kicking off Wednesday night, the city is getting the word out on the plan to connect the St. Albert LRT line with Edmonton's after 2029 — and want to hear from residents where they want the route to end up.

"Council felt it was important that we do long-term planning," said Bob McDonald, director of transit with the City of St. Albert.

Although the city route has not been selected, officials plan to use feedback from residents to help decide on a corridor that administration will present to council in the fall.

City officials expect the route would run near the plotted 153 Avenue stop in the City of Edmonton's conceptual Metro Line LRT design, but that it is dependent on residents' feedback and City of St. Albert council.

"This is pretty early stages," said McDonald.

Currently there are no dollars budgeted for the City of Edmonton's Metro Line LRT.

The second night for consultations on St. Albert's LRT will be on June 24.

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## Redditors Anonymous? Edmonton fifth in list of cities addicted to Reddit

Edmontonians are using news-sharing site Reddit more often than other cities around the world, according to the site's blog.

Edmonton was ranked fifth in the world for "most addicted" cities to Reddit, with Edmontonians logging more time than people in cities like London and Glasgow in the top 10 list.

Reddit officials couldn't be reached before time of press, but according to Amazon-sister company Alexa.com, a good portion of Reddit's users

**/r/addicted**

Six out of the 10 most addicted cities to Reddit are Canadian cities.

are on the site at school, something which could justify Edmonton's spot on the list.

"It could be why Edmonton is that way because we have awesome universities and polytechnics here," said Ray Bilodeau, marketing instructor at NAIT. **STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO**

**Sherwood Park**

## Police searching for man alleged to have masturbated near school

Police released a sketch of a man who was allegedly masturbating near Brentwood Elementary in Sherwood

Park on June 13.

The man didn't approach any students, according to a witness account. Police described the suspect as 18 to 25 years old, five-foot-six to five-foot-nine, with tanned skin and short spiky black hair. **METRO**



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# Bike talks become art



Artist Debi Anderson was on hand Tuesday night at the What the B\*ke public consultations to commit to paper some of the buzz words and topics discussed. **STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO**

**What the B\*ke.** Poet laureate and artist document discussions in writing and a hand-drawn collage.



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There's more than just bike talk going around at the city's What the B\*ke public consultations this week, with two local artists documenting the whole thing.

City of Edmonton Poet Laureate Mary Pinkoski and artist Debi Anderson are documenting words, topics and speakers in both the written word and a hand-

**Four-year plan**

The city's four-year bike plan includes an emphasis on the routes being discussed in the three-day consultations.

drawn collage.

"This is basically going back to what a Poet Laureate used to do," said Pinkoski. "So to bring these events alive through an artistic form, I think is just fantastic."

Safety concerns and maintenance are some of the major topics discussed by people at the consultations to-date, said the Poet Laureate Tuesday night.

A drawing of a bicycle and of Edmonton City Councillor Andrew Knack was spotted at the consultations on the Strathcona bike routes.

The final poem on the bike lane consultations will be posted on the Edmonton Public Library's website.

"It's really great to bring events like this into an artistic frame," said Pinkoski.

Thursday's night consultations on the proposed downtown bike routes marks the end of the first round of discussions on the core routes in the 2014-2018 Bike Lane Infrastructure Plan.

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## Top 16 placement

## St. Albert nets \$25K in hockey contest

While it didn't claim the big prize, St. Albert's top 16 finish in Kraft's Hockeyville competition will give the city \$25,000 to invest back into Canada's favourite game.

The city is hosting an event Friday to accept the cheque that will be used to create warm-up areas in both the Akinsdale and Kinex arenas.

Sylvan Lake was crowned the grand-prize winner and took home \$100,000 as well as the opportunity to host an NHL pre-season game. **METRO**

## Grande Prairie

## Pilot project easing recovery for stroke victims: Province

Stroke patients in Grande Prairie are spending less time in hospital, thanks to a pilot project, the province said Wednesday.

Launched in March, the

project delivers stroke-rehab programs in patients' homes, rather than at a community hospital.

The project is part of the Stroke Action Plan, an initiative that aims to ensure inpatient care in rural areas are the same as in larger, urban centres. **METRO**

## 'Genocide Awareness'

## Anti-abortion students acquitted

Some students who oppose abortion have won a battle against the University of Calgary, four years after being sanctioned for refusing to conceal a graphic poster display on campus.

Seven students tried to appeal being found guilty of non-academic misconduct in 2010, but the board of governors refused to hold a hearing. In April, a judge ordered the board to hear the appeal.

The Justice Centre for Academic Freedoms said Wednesday that the board of governors quashed the charges and removed them from the students' files.

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# Fortuitous forecasts buoy spirits in south

**Flooding.** Prophecies of doom fail to come true, but damage still very real in some areas

Improved forecasts Wednesday were lifting soggy spirits in southern Alberta where heavy rainfall and swollen rivers had residents worried about evacuations and damage to their homes.

"The rain is lightening; the infrastructure is catching up to the excessive flows," said Rob Steel, mayor of Claresholm, where a voluntary evacuation centre had to be set up after rain came down in sheets earlier in the day.

"If it stays like this, it'll just get better and better as each hour goes by."

Lethbridge Mayor Chris Spearman said concerns were

eased when lighter rainfall lowered peak forecasts for the Oldman River, which runs through his city.

"Things are looking much better," he said. "To our relief, the rainfall upstream wasn't as severe as predicted overnight, so the provincial river flow forecast has im-

proved significantly."

The same forecast was welcome news in Medicine Hat, where Alberta Environment was predicting peak flows on the South Saskatchewan River at 2,400 cubic metres per second — less than half the original prediction that

had people fearing a repeat of the deluge that happened in 2013.

Things could change, how-

forecasts were based on rainfall predictions of up to 200 millimetres in the southwest part of the province. While rainfall was as heavy as predicted, it wasn't as widespread.

Even with the threat subsiding, the mess left behind is significant.

Claresholm, a town of 3,800 about 130 kilometres south of Calgary, has about 40 damaged homes — some surrounded by water and some swamped, Steel said. In some cases, sewers backed up.

About 250 homes in Lethbridge were affected, most with flooded basements.

The flooding came as southern Alberta prepared to mark the one-year anniversary of the 2013 flood. In total, 100,000 people had to flee their homes last June. Damage estimates have reached as high as \$6 billion.

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## Pulling together

**"There's no shortage of help here. We've been through this so many times, and people are willing to step up."**

Longtime Claresholm resident Joanna Sutter

ever.

"We're still very concerned because there's a heavy rainfall warning in effect," Steel said. "This is still a very dynamic situation."

Alberta Environment spokesman Evan Friesenhan explained that initial river

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Will Mercier describes the flooding of his home in Claresholm on Wednesday. People have been moved out of about 40 homes in Claresholm as rain falls and sewers back up. JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Mountain pine beetles. Winter won't win the war against pernicious pests

A cold winter in Alberta helped kill mountain pine beetles in some parts of the province, but the destructive bugs survived in some forests.

A government survey says there wasn't much change to a large area surrounding Lesser Slave Lake.

However, the pest's numbers were diminished in wooded areas south of Grande Prairie, northwest of Edson and west of Manning.

"Results show beetles continue to survive the winter across much of our pine forests, meaning populations are unlikely to naturally decline in the near future. Aggressive action remains our best option to fight beetle

### Methodology

Beetle population surveys were conducted this year between mid-May and mid-June at 100 sites.

- Surveys involved cutting core samples from trees and comparing the number of dead versus live larvae under the bark.

infestations in Alberta," said Robin Campbell, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development.

Six million hectares of pine forest in Alberta are susceptible to attacks by mountain pine beetles. Infestations threaten watersheds, fish and wildlife habitats, tourism and recreation values as well as the province's \$4-billion forest industry.

Since 2004-05, Alberta has directed over \$414 million to the mountain pine beetle program. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Fight thus far

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A pro-Russia fighter pets dogs at a checkpoint in the village of Karlivka near Donetsk, eastern Ukraine, Wednesday, before a handover of the bodies of Ukrainian troops killed in a plane shot down near Luhansk.

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# Ukraine president promises ceasefire

**Separatist fighting.** Petro Poroshenko discussed plan with Russia, Germany

The new president of Ukraine promised on Wednesday that government troops would soon stop firing on pro-Russia armed separatists, offering a chance to end the fighting that has killed hundreds and wracked the industrial east.

In another concession to Moscow, Petro Poroshenko replaced his foreign minister, who had outraged Russians by using an obscenity to describe President Vladimir Putin.

An end to the two months of fighting and a promised safe exit for rebels would al-

low Putin to say that Russia has fulfilled its goal of protecting Russian speakers in eastern Ukraine, while Poroshenko can claim victory over the rebellion.

The Ukrainian president discussed his plan for a unilateral ceasefire in a phone call with Putin late Tuesday, their offices said, and Poroshenko also spoke with German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Russia's foreign minister cautiously welcomed the move, but voiced concern that it could be a ruse. One key question is whether Moscow is willing and able to persuade the pro-Russia insurgents to accept Poroshenko's plan.

Rebel leaders have remained defiant, but in a sign of behind-the-scenes manoeuvring, some of them visited Mos-

## Insurgents

**"The war will go on until we win."**

A pro-Russia fighter who identified himself as Sova, after the body handover

cow this week to meet with senior officials and lawmakers.

The two sides managed to arrange a brief truce Wednesday evening in the eastern town of Karlivka to allow pro-Russia forces to hand over the bodies of 49 Ukrainian troops who died when the separatists shot down a transport plane bound for the airport in Luhansk last weekend.

But after the truck carrying the remains had passed to the Ukrainian side, both sides fell back to their positions.

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# Teen who travelled in plane's wheel well speaks publicly: He just wanted to find mom

A Somali-born teenager who survived a flight to Hawaii as a stowaway in the plane's wheel well said he hopped on the closest flight that was going west in an effort to find his birth mom, and can't believe he survived the journey.

Yahya Abdi, 15, spoke over Google Chat to KPIX-5 in his first public comments since his improbable survival during the 5-1/2-hour flight from San Jose to Maui in April. The interview was reported on Tuesday night.

Abdi, a Somali immigrant, ran away from his California home and hopped a fence at Mineta San Jose International Airport. He crouched down in the wheel well of the Hawaiian Airlines flight and remembers covering his ears as the plane took off, he said.

"It was above the clouds. I could see through the little holes," Abdi said.

Abdi survived the flight at 35,000 feet despite low oxygen and freezing temperatures.

The teen said he made the decision to get on board the plane because he didn't want to live with his stepmom and wanted to find his mother, whom he hasn't seen since he was seven years old. She lives in Africa.

Abdi spoke to her on the phone on Tuesday.

"I would tell her to live with me in America," he said.

His mom, Ubah Mohammed Abdule, confirmed the conversation to The Associated Press.

"He says, 'Mom, you are not dead for sure?'" Abdule told the AP. "I thought you died in a boat trip. This is incredible news! Then he became silent for a moment. Then he cried."

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## Where he is now

Abdi is staying at a temporary foster home. He will be a junior in high school this fall and plans to live with his aunt in the Minneapolis area, KPIX-5 reported.

- "I've been going to the movie theatre and playing video games," he said.
- Earlier this year, police said they were investigating possible criminal charges against the boy.

## Stuck in the air

**"It was above the clouds. I could see through the little holes."** Yahya Abdi, 15

## World Cup violence

**Stray bullet grazes Brazilian boy, 7**

A stray bullet grazed the neck of a seven-year-old boy near a site where thousands had gathered to watch a large-screen broadcast of Brazil playing Mexico in the World Cup host city of Fortaleza, police said Wednesday.

Police said they are investigating the cause of Tuesday's shooting. No one else was hurt and the hospital where the boy was being treated says his wound was not life-threatening.

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## 'Turn now!'

**Man cited for spot check warning**

A suburban Cleveland man says police violated his First Amendment rights to free speech when they cited him for holding a sign warning motorists to turn if they wanted to avoid a DUI checkpoint.

Douglas Odolecki, 43, warned motorists with the sign Friday night in Parma that said: "Check point ahead! Turn now!"

A police spokesman said officers cited Odolecki after he refused to remove the "Turn now!" portion of the sign. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Conditional release

**Moncton man pleads guilty after threatening cops**

A man pleaded guilty Wednesday to uttering a threat to cause death to peace officers and was released from jail on conditions, including one that prohibits him from having any contact with Justin Bourque, charged with first-degree murder in the shooting deaths of three RCMP officers in Moncton.

Jasper John Stam, 24, was charged June 9 for an incident that occurred between May 10 and 18.

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Ellen Kooijman's female scientist Lego figurines. Scan the image with your Metro News App to see a gallery of previous girl-oriented Lego products. COURTESY ELLEN KOOIJMAN

## Lego figurines depict female scientists

**Lego of my aspirations!**  
Designs aim to change outdated gender stereotypes

Lego traditionally provides the building blocks for many a boy's happy childhood. But Ellen Kooijman, a Dutch geosciences researcher based in Sweden, is hoping to change outdated stereotypes with mini-figurine designs that include a female astronomer, a paleontologist and a chemist. Kooijman put forward her box set called Research Institute to the Lego Ideas website where fans can pitch prospective toy sets.

But before a proposal's life in plastic becomes a reality, it must first reach Lego's re-

quired 10,000-vote threshold and pass muster before a review board before finally going into production.

The scientist spoke to Metro about her love of Lego and breaking down gender stereotypes.

**When and why did you first get into Lego?**

It was my favourite toy as a child, so I've built with Lego bricks almost my whole life, except for a period during my teenage years which adult fans of Lego call the "dark ages."

**Are you not a bit old for Lego?**

I see it as a great medium to express my creativity in three dimensions. You can basically build anything on any scale and the best thing is you can take it apart again and build something new.

**Were past Lego sets sexist?**

As a female scientist, I had noticed two things about the available Lego sets: a skewed male-female mini-figure ratio and a rather stereotypical representation of the available female figures. It seemed logical that I would suggest a small set of female mini-figures in interesting professions to make our Lego city communities more diverse.

**In what ways are your figurines an improvement on the toys of old?**

I think Lego as a toy has always been gender-neutral in principle, since the bricks come in all colors and you can use them to build whatever your imagination can come up with. But their marketing has been more towards boys for a significant period.

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## Scenes of squalor at U.S. border

Children's faces pressed against glass. Hundreds of young boys and girls covered with aluminum-foil-like blankets next to chain-link fences. The pungent odour that comes with keeping dirty travellers in close quarters.

These were the sights from Wednesday tours of crowded Border Patrol stations in Texas and Arizona, where thousands of immigrants are being held before

they are transferred to other shelters around the country.

It was the first time the media was given access to the facilities since President Barack Obama called the more than 47,000 unaccompanied children who have entered the country illegally this budget year an "urgent humanitarian situation."

Border Patrol stations like the ones in Brownsville, Texas, and Nogales, Arizona,

were not meant for long-term custody. Immigrants are supposed to wait there until they are processed and taken to detention centres. But the surge in children arriving without their parents has overwhelmed the U.S. government. The surge, which has been building for three years, comes amid a steep overall increase in immigrant arrests in southernmost Texas.

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# World's most valuable stamp at \$9.5 million

## British Guiana.

The 1856 One-Cent Magenta sold at auction in New York; the buyer will remain anonymous

A one-cent postage stamp from a 19th century British colony in South America has become the world's most valuable stamp — again.

The 1856 British Guiana One-Cent Magenta sold Tuesday at auction in New York for \$9.5 million, Sotheby's said. It marked the fourth time the stamp has broken the auction record for a single stamp in its long history.

The stamp was expected to bring between \$10 million and \$20 million. Sotheby's said the buyer wished to remain anonymous. The price included the buyer's premium.

David Redden, Sotheby's vice-chairman, called the sale "a truly great moment for the world of stamp collecting."

"That price will be hard to



**1-cent 1856 British Guiana stamp is now the world's most valuable stamp.** SOTHEBY'S/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

beat, and likely won't be exceeded unless the British Guiana comes up for sale again in the future," Redden said.

Measuring 1-inch-by-1 1/4 inches, it hasn't been on public view since 1986 and is the only major stamp absent from the British Royal Family's private Royal Philatelic Collection.

"You're not going to find anything rarer than this," according to Allen Kane, director of the Smithsonian Postal Museum. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Massachusetts

### Arrests in theft of priest's vestments

A Massachusetts priest says he's baffled by a theft from his church — the only things taken were priestly vestments and other nearly valueless items.

Reports say that no money, no religious artifacts and nothing of major value was taken in the theft from St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Gardner. Police arrested three 22-year-old men after someone reported seeing a person wearing the vestments inside an abandoned building. They're charged with receiving stolen property and breaking and entering. Rev. Thomas Tokarz says he forgives them. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## China

### Slaughter of dogs for solstice fest

Residents in a Chinese city that has come under fire for an annual summer solstice festival in which dogs are slaughtered for food have held their feast early to avoid attention. Residents of Yulin gathering last weekend to celebrate. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



## Horses and hats win big at the Royal Ascot

Jaqui Jaynes wears an ornate hat on the second day of the Royal Ascot horse racing meeting at Ascot, England, Wednesday. It's an annual five-day horse race meeting and Queen Elizabeth attends every day of the event. To see more elaborate head apparel being sported at the event, scan the image with your Metro News App.

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# Industry agrees to ban microbeads

**Great Lakes.** Scientists found microplastics used in personal care products in all five lakes in 2012 and 2013

Environmentalists in Illinois expected a battle royal over their call for a statewide ban on microbeads — tiny bits of plastic used in personal care products such as facial scrubs and toothpaste that are flowing by the billions into the Great Lakes and other waterways. only recently, scientists say, they've discovered the beads inside fish caught for human consumption.

But instead of resisting, leading companies quickly collaborated on a ban that was enacted by the state legislature this spring. And with similar measures now



Sherri Mason, right, a New York environmental scientist who led a research team studying microplastics in the Great Lakes, examines a trawling device used to collect plastic microbeads from the water with student Shayne McKay on Lake Ontario, in this July 2013 photo. Inset: A sample of microbeads collected in eastern Lake Erie is shown on the face of a penny. COURTESY SUNY-FREDONIA & 56VRES.ORG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

pending in three other large U.S. states, the extinction of microbeads is taking shape as one of the unlikeliest events in the politics of nature: a low-stress compromise by interest groups that are often at

each other's throats.

Disagreements over details are delaying similar bills in California and New York, while a measure in Ohio has gained little traction. Still, all sides expect deals, and that

given those states' outsized place in the market, microbeads will disappear from U.S. products as the industry swallows the cost.

Barely visible without a microscope, the bits flow

through wastewater treatment plant screens and into the lakes. Sherri Mason, an environmental scientist with State University of New York-Fredonia who was a leader of the research team, said the beads are showing up the stomachs of Great Lakes perch and in such fish-eating birds as the double-crested cormorant. Because treated wastewater flows into so many waterways, Mason said, "Every river and every inland lake you look at is going to have some plastic in it."

The industry has yet to endorse a California bill that wouldn't make an exception for biodegradable microbeads, which the industry says are on the drawing board. A ban has unanimously passed New York's State Assembly, but is awaiting Senate action while the industry pushes for a slower timetable. The measure would prohibit most cosmetics with microbeads by 2016. The Illinois phase-out is more gradual, running from 2017 to the end of 2019.

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## Microbeads

### Companies working on substitutes

The plastic exfoliants apparently came into widespread use in the 1990s, preferred because they are smoother to the skin than natural ingredients. Laurent Gilbert, director of advanced research at L'Oreal, said they have "no proven environmental toxicity."

Still, Procter & Gamble, Johnson & Johnson, Colgate, Unilever and L'Oreal are among the companies announcing plans to replace microbeads with natural substances such as ground-up fruit pits, oatmeal and sea salt.

The companies say that it can take years to develop new mixtures and get them to market.

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## Regina. Man offers cash to strangers if they can quit smoking for a year

Bruce Robinson has spent the last 20 years approaching random strangers in Regina and offering them \$1,000 to quit smoking.

However, despite challenging about 1,000 people over the past two decades, only six people have completed Robinson's quit-smoking challenge.

That means he's given away only \$6,000, despite offering about \$1 million.

When Joel Pinel first heard of the challenge, he was skeptical. But after meeting Robinson in person, Pinel changed his mind.

Now, the two men are working together to try and create a documentary dedicated to smoking prevention.

The documentary, titled 1,000 Excuses to Quit, will follow Robinson and the people to whom he offers \$1,000 to give up smoking for a year. It will include interviews with people who couldn't complete the challenge, as well as success stories.

**Kickstarter campaign**

# \$45,000

Joel Pinel and Bruce Robinson have started an online Kickstarter campaign to try and raise \$45,000 for production costs for their documentary. So far, a week into the 30-day campaign, they've raised just under \$2,000.

Robinson has been thinking of doing a documentary for years, he said, but when a close friend died of a smoking-related stroke in November, he felt that he had to take action.

Both men say they're motivated by how smoking-related health problems have affected their friends and family. Pinel said it took a heart attack to convince his father to quit. Robinson's father was 57 when he died of a heart attack. It was that tragedy that inspired Robinson's crusade against cigarettes.

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## Elephant takes baby steps

A newborn baby elephant (name and gender so far unknown), third child of mother Indi explores the compound at the Zoo in Zurich, Switzerland, for the first time Wednesday.

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## China. 127 students hired others to take college entrance test for them

At least 127 test-takers in a Chinese province hired other people to take the country's all-important college entrance exam on their behalf, the provincial college admission office said.

Education authorities have imposed increasingly strict rules to guard against cheating during the exam, which is called the "gaokao" and has the reputation of being China's level playing field for academic advancement. Cheating is not unheard of, especially using electronic

gadgets, but hiring of surrogate test-takers has so far been rare.

Almost all Chinese high school graduates must take the exam, and their scores are the key criterion for what tier of university they can enter.

Competition in Henan province is especially intense because it has a larger student population and fewer allocated slots in Chinese universities as compared with many other provinces.

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**California sugary drinks**

## Bill requiring warning labels fails

A bill that would have made California the first state in the U.S. to require warning labels on sugary drinks was effectively killed Tuesday after failing to get the needed 10 votes to pass.

Democratic lawmakers doubted whether a label would change consumer behaviour. Certain sodas, energy drinks and fruit drinks would have included a label reading, "Drinking beverages with added sugar(s) contributes to obesity, diabetes, and tooth decay." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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A Washington Redskins helmet lies on the field Wednesday in Ashburn, Va.  
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## Redskins trademark revoked

The U.S. Patent Office ruled Wednesday that the Washington Redskins nickname is "disparaging of Native Americans" and that the team's federal trademarks for the name must be cancelled.

The 2-1 ruling comes after a campaign to change the name gained momentum over the past year. The team doesn't immediately lose trademark protection and is allowed to retain it during a

likely appeal.

Redskins owner Dan Snyder has refused to change the team's name, citing tradition, but there has been growing pressure, including statements in recent months from U.S. President Barack Obama, lawmakers and civil rights groups.

The decision means that the team can continue to use the Redskins name, but it would lose a significant por-

tion of its ability to protect the financial interests connected to its use. If others printed the name on sweat-shirts, apparel or other team material, it becomes more difficult to go after groups who use it without permission.

The case involves six registered trademarks that involve the use of the word Redskins, but it does not apply to the team's logo.

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Investigators assess the damage to homes and property on Wednesday, a day after

## A 'miracle' no one hurt,

**'Moving forward.'**

Mayor of Essa Township says around 100 homes in Angus, Ont., were damaged after twister touched down Tuesday

The mayor of a central Ontario community says it's a miracle no one was hurt when a tornado ripped through the area Tuesday.

Essa Township Mayor Terry Dowdall said about 100 homes were damaged in Angus, which is located in the township.

Dowdall, who joined emergency officials Wednesday morning to give an update on the situation, said he has never seen such destruction in the community.

"Weather seems to be changing, I think, in the province of Ontario," he said. "But I've never seen, and basically no one's seen, devastation quite like this."

The tornado blew out windows, tore up fences and sheared off the tops of some homes when it hit at about 5:30 p.m. but caused no serious injuries.

"I think it was the right time of day," said Essa Fire Chief Cynthia Tustin, calling it an "amazing piece of timing."

"People weren't asleep ... people were up and people were able to be aware of what's going on," she said. "It was really a miracle that nobody was hurt at that time of day," added Dowdall.

Provincial police Const. Kelly Daniels said the priority now is to ensure homes are safe enough for people to go back inside and retrieve needed personal items like medication.

She says residents who have been displaced from their homes will be escorted by police and fire officials when they go inside and it will be done home by home.

"Now that we know everyone is safe, our job is to protect their property," said Daniels.

Emergency officials also planned holding a meeting with



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a tornado touched down in Angus, Ont. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# tornado left officials say

residents Wednesday afternoon at the Angus recreation centre to discuss what happens next. "We're moving forward. We have a new day and a new plan," said Dowdall, adding building officials would immediately begin

assessing properties.

He said efforts would be made to get people back into their homes as quickly as possible but the top priority would be to ensure the buildings are safe first.

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Backyards in Angus, Ont., are shown on Tuesday. Scan the photo with your Metro News app for a gallery of damage caused by Tuesday's twister. GREG FACCHINI/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Ottawa

### Police, paramedics injured in training exercise explosion

Two paramedics were seriously injured while two Ottawa police officers sustained minor injuries Wednesday during a training exercise that involved the use of explosives to practise forced-entry techniques, police say. The officers and paramed-

ics were part of an exercise using explosives to force their way into an abandoned residence when the accident occurred, Ottawa police Chief Charles Bordeleau told a news conference.

A third paramedic also sustained minor injuries, Bordeleau said. All five victims were immediately transported to hospital.

"Their injuries are serious in nature, but I am told they will recover," Bordeleau said.

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## The longest yard

### Michigan prison drug-smuggling pass gets fumbled

Michigan authorities say a man tried to throw a football loaded with drugs and cellphones into the yard of a state prison.

State Trooper Toby Baker says Sunday's throw in Jackson fell short, with the football landing between two

fences, not in the yard where prisoners exercise.

An officer at the G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility saw the man throw the football, and officers arrested the suspect.

Reports say the ball contained heroin, marijuana, tobacco and three cellphones.

Christen D. Moore, 22, was arraigned Tuesday in Jackson District Court on contraband charges. His probable-cause hearing is June 30.

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# A job for life? Maybe the idea's not so outdated

**Stats.** About 50 per cent of Canadians in the workforce have been with one employer longer than five years

It sounds like an outdated notion, but a new report suggests that workers staying with the same employer for most of their career is as prevalent today as it ever was.

The study, by CIBC economists looking at the changing labour market, concluded one aspect hasn't changed much over the past three decades. It found that most Canadians tend to stay at their place of work, if not for life, at least for

a long time.

Using Statistics Canada data dating to 1986, economists Ben Benjamin Tal and Nick Exarhos calculate the probability of keeping a job — referred to as the retention rate — once an employee has been with one company for five years or more is now at 95 per cent.

About 50 per cent of Canadians in the workforce have been with one employer longer than five years, a record high, and well up from 42 per cent in the early 1990s.

In fact, retention rates appear to rise with each year of seniority, starting at 60 per cent for those who have been at a job for one year — also near record levels — and rising to 95 per cent after five years.

That is the opposite of what many expected in the new

information economy where it was thought that workers would constantly need to re-train as jobs changed and employers outsourced more and more of their workforce.

"It was not too long ago people were talking about the new labour market, that there would be no loyalty, that the average career would have five, six, seven jobs. But the opposite is happening, the stability of the labour market is as high as ever," said Tal.

The reason for the trend, however, goes beyond loyalty.

Tal believes "fear" has played a big role, particularly in the post-recession economy where the number of Canadians officially unemployed remains higher today than in 2008.

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## Duchess Of Cambridge tunes in to Morse code

Catherine, Duchess Of Cambridge listens to a Morse code message using a replica radio during a tour the of the restored WWII Codebreaking Huts at Bletchley Park on Wednesday in Bletchley, England. The pre-fabricated wooden huts that housed the secret Government code breaking school during WWII, where encrypted messages sent by the navy, army and air forces of Germany and its allies were decrypted, translated and analyzed for vital intelligence, have undergone a yearlong restoration. EDDIE MULHOLLAND/WPA POOL/GETTY IMAGES



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# Tories highlight conditions, science around Northern Gateway pipeline

**Earlier this month.** 300 scientists, scholars urged Harper to reject the review panel's 'flawed' findings

Conservatives are defending their government's approval of the contested Northern Gateway pipeline as based on science and evidence — while noting the project may never be built.

Government MPs and ministers were conspicuously absent late Tuesday when the approval was announced in a bureaucratic news release — evidence, NDP and Liberal critics crowed, that they feared the coming backlash.

On Wednesday, Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Natural Resources Minister Greg Rickford struck a dispassionate tone on the project, emphasizing

sizing it had gone through a rigorous review process that includes 209 conditions.

"The fact of the matter is that the government is acting on the advice of an independent scientific panel that thoroughly reviewed these matters," Harper said during question period.

"The government has applied the conditions demanded by that panel. It is now up to the proponent to assure the regulator going forward that it will indeed comply with those conditions."

Conservatives also point out that a federal panel recently rejected the New Prosperity mine project in B.C., a decision that wasn't similarly picked apart by the opposition.

But the science around the National Energy Board's joint review panel has been criticized by outside voices, and rejected outright by the opposition, who say it was politicized and shaped by the Conservatives.



A protester holds up a "Stop Harper" sign while marching with others during a rally held to show opposition to the Enbridge Northern Gateway pipeline in Vancouver on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Earlier this month, 300 scientists and scholars signed an open letter urging Harper to reject the review panel's "flawed"

findings, including its failure to consider the impact of greenhouse-gas emissions from Alberta's oilsands.

"Unless the public has a process in which it can have confidence, none of these projects can move forward," said NDP

Leader Tom Mulcair, who has warned he would set aside the decision should his party form government. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Will Amazon blaze new path with Fire phone?

**The everything store.** CEO Jeff Bezos unveils the phone in Seattle

Amazon has introduced a new smartphone with audio and object recognition technology that seeks to make it easier for consumers to locate and purchase products and services from America's largest e-commerce company.

#### Specs and features:

- The phone is smaller than leading Android phones, but larger than Apple's iPhone. CEO Jeff Bezos calls the screen, measuring 4.7 inches diagonally, ideal for one-handed use.

- The new Fire phone also adds such features as the ability to render images in 3D. You can rotate the phone and get a different view depending on your angle of vision. Bezos calls this "dynamic perspective" and said the phone is basically re-drawing the image 60 times per second.

- The Fire phone will bring

features found in other Amazon devices, such as X-Ray for supplemental content and Mayday for live tech support. There's also access to ebooks, which members can borrow with Amazon's \$99 US-a-year Prime program.

- Firefly is the centrepiece of the new phone. Snap a photo of a book, and it'll help you buy it, either as an ebook or a physical copy. Listen to a song playing in the background, and it'll direct you to that tune on Amazon. It can even direct you to facts and data, by showing a Wikipedia entry with information about a painting you snapped. The feature will also let you snap bar codes, phone numbers and more.

#### Availability:

- The phone will be available July 25 in the U.S. exclusively through AT&T. People can start ordering it Wednesday.

- Prices are comparable to those of other leading high-end phones, but the Fire will have double the storage. It will cost \$200 for a base model with 32 gigabytes and \$300 for 64 gigabytes. Both require two-year service contracts. Without contracts, they will cost \$650 and \$750.

#### Not a first:

- Facebook once tried to release a phone tied to its services. The HTC First, released in April 2013, came with Facebook's Home software, which takes over the phone's front screen to present status updates, messages and other content.



Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos introduces the new Amazon Fire phone on Wednesday in Seattle. TED S. WARREN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Both the phone and the software flopped.

- Google also has its own phones under the Nexus brand, mostly to showcase its Android operating system. Google makes Android available for free for any phone manufacturer to use and modify. That makes it difficult to know what's really Android and what's a

modification.

#### The backdrop:

- Amazon.com Inc. got its start in books and soon moved into music, video, devices and more. Analysts believe the goal of an Amazon-branded smartphone is to get customers to buy more things from the nation's largest e-commerce company.

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## Meanwhile, in Canada. The iPhone still the No.1 choice ... at least for now

BlackBerrys are vanishing in Canada while Google Android ownership grows steadily, but Apple's iPhone (pictured) is still the most popular smartphone in the country, suggests a new report.

About 85 per cent of the adult anglophone population now has a cellphone, while three quarters of them carry a smartphone, according to a report by the Media Technology Monitor, based on telephone surveys this spring with more than 2,000 Canadians.

The iPhone was the device of choice among 42 per cent of the smartphone owners, while a variety of phones on the Android platform collectively made up 39 per cent of the market.

To no one's surprise, the MTM survey found BlackBerry's share of the market has withered away in its home

country. In 2009, 61 per cent of Canadian smartphone owners said they used a BlackBerry. Now, just 14 per cent call themselves devotees of the struggling brand. BlackBerry's market share plunged by half in the past two years, according to MTM.

While Apple initially won over most of the consumers who abandoned their BlackBerrys, the Android platform has seen more growth in recent years.

Samsung in particular has made the most gains. Its line of Galaxy phones now accounts for 61 per cent of the Android devices in Canada, and 24 per cent of the overall smartphone market, MTM says.

Consumers in the 18-to-34 demographic and those with an income under \$75,000 were more likely to use an Android phone, while buyers over 35 with higher incomes were more likely to choose an iPhone. THE CANADIAN PRESS



#### CIBC economists

#### Job stability at record high: Report

A job for life? It sounds like an outdated notion, but a new report suggests job stability is as prevalent today as it ever was.

CIBC economists looking at the job stability phenomenon say their analysis shows it at an all time high, or at least at a record high since Statistics Canada started gathering the data in the 1970s. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# DON'T HATE SOCCER BECAUSE IT'S BEAUTIFUL

Why do some people hate soccer so much?

As the World Cup unfolds with the impressive array of Google doodles it's known for, people from all over the world are crowding around TVs in colourful clots to cheer on The Beautiful Game. But as Pantene taught us in the '80s, sometimes people hate you because you're beautiful, despite your protestations.

Soccer is wildly popular in my city (Toronto), but my Facebook feed, Internet comment boards and the occasional overheard conversation show me that people who don't like soccer feel deeply about it in a way usually reserved for heated emotional topics: abortion, euthanasia, Nickelback.

Soccer fandom isn't mandatory, but the need of many Canadians to loudly let you know how much they hate the game strikes me as over the top — the equivalent of a player who grabs his shin and plummets to the ground, face contorted, like he stumbled upon a particularly strong pocket of gravity. Check any Internet forum. You'll see people write under soccer stories about how much they hate soc-



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cer, often in dismissive, angry terms.

Reading Internet comments is like wilfully exposing yourself to radiation, but here's a real quote I dug up in about 18 seconds of research (lost some hair, but I'll be okay): "Ahhh Soccer the sport of choice for the 3rd world and poor unwashed masses."

Good point, anonymous dude, but I for one think it's nice the Dutch, Australians and Japanese have a game to distract them from the squalor of their failed nations.

Soccer is Canada's most widely played sport, so if you consider "foreign" a detriment then you'd best avoid lasagna, too. Of course, many online soccer detractors are the same people who write under every news story about how multiculturalism is a failure because 100 per cent of the people in their parents' basement are white males. Consider the source.

But it's not just the xenophobic online crazies who give soccer a rough ride. I've seen two World Cup games in public so far, and both times, one guy, apparently dragged there by friends, felt

compelled to let others know mid-game that hockey is better, as if one couldn't be a fan of both sports simultaneously. Despite the low scores, soccer doesn't need to be a zero-sum game.

The complaint from hockey fans is almost always the same: Hockey players are tougher than soccer players because soccer players dive a lot and then there's a hilarious joke about a diving team. And, fine, there is too much diving. But it's just cheating that exists in all sports. It doesn't excuse it, but it's universal.

I've heard people ask why it's allowed to continue with the frequency it does — "Aren't they embarrassed?" — but many baseball fans absolve successful players of their steroid use faster than it takes Big Papi to run the bases.

Not in honour-bound hockey? Well, there's the whole cheating thing where players bruise each other's brains and occasionally crack a vertebrae or two by smashing into their heads from behind at 40 km/h. At least in soccer's cheating, nobody gets hurt, quite literally.

So whether you're a soccer fan or not, let's live and let live. It's a game the whole world loves, and that's a beautiful thing. And if anything should tear us asunder, let us unite in our hatred of Nickelback. Olé, Olé, Olé!

## ZOOM

### iMages of the year



**Felicia Pandola, from Providence, R.I., took the nature category by storm, so to speak, with this foreboding beach pic.** ALL IMAGES COURTESY IPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS

### Photogs win bars of gold for iPhone pics

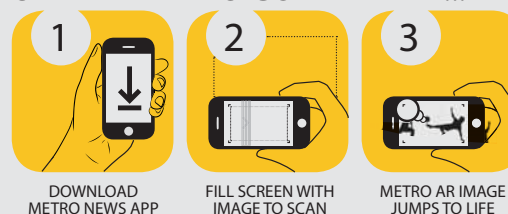
As all your brilliant selfies have no doubt already shown you, you don't need a fancy camera to take great shots. The iPhone Photography Awards, running annually since 2007, showcase the best images taken with, and edited on, an iPhone, iPod or iPad. This year's winning entries were submitted by 54 photographers from 17 countries. And they weren't just competing for the glory: Each first-place winner, aided by their trusty Apple device, received a gold bar from a private mint. Can your DSLR do that? **METRO**



**Michael O'Neal said he pulled out both his DSLR and iPhone when he encountered this guy at Colter Bay Beach in Wyoming, but the iPhone shots trumped the "real" camera ones. He won for the animal category.**

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### Here a duck, there a duck, everywhere a duck duck ...



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When the calendar flipped to 2014, it's nice to think that we all silently vowed to put the "Would you rather fight one horse-sized duck or 100 duck-sized horses" question to rest forever.

Sure, it's amusing and can provide rich territory for mining clever answers. But it really only carried as many uses as a razor blade. Plus, we have new video evidence of what a duck-sized horse stampede would look like. Suddenly, the choice is easy. (OK Go/YouTube)



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## SCENE 2

# Don't worry, be happy Bobby McFerrin is coming to town

## Dynamic performer.

Singer to bring his remarkable vocal talent to Edmonton's jazz festival



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There is a reason the Edmonton International Jazz Festival has international notoriety. Going into its ninth year, the show continues to grow with organizers continuing to attract industry heavy hitters, including headliner Bobby McFerrin.

Best known for his 1988 hit song *Don't Worry, Be Happy*, McFerrin continues to win audiences over around the globe with his remarkable vocal talent. On stage, McFerrin really comes alive. He is known to improvise with scat singing, percussive effects, and dramatic pitch swings. "That's what makes me happy. I'm uncomfortable when I can't play and make stuff up," he says.

But, it's a very different feeling for McFerrin before he takes the stage. "I stay very quiet. It takes a lot of focus to do what's ordinary ... to meet the audience without 'per-

### Quoted

**"For me, all music is prayer and a way to remember what a joy it is to be alive."**

Bobby McFerrin



**Don't Worry, Be Happy** artist Bobby McFerrin headlines this year's Edmonton International Jazz Festival on June 24. COURTESY BOTTOMLINE PRODUCTIONS

forming' and just be myself." McFerrin looks to connect with the audience through his stage presence and performance.

Despite the notoriety of 10 Grammy awards, its obvious fame isn't McFerrin's goal. In the end, he says, "I hope (the audience goes) home feeling some of the joy and freedom I feel when I sing, and that they make up silly songs about eating breakfast with their kids

the next morning."

It's that kind of light-hearted, family-orientated scene that nurtured the entertainer's self-expressive talents.

"I grew up in a house full of all kinds of music, in a family of singers. I always thought music was probably my calling, though I did wonder for a time about a monastic life. I love jazz, but I don't think of myself as having a calling that's specific to any type of

music. For me, all music is prayer and a way to remember what a joy it is to be alive, to experience the wonder of creation. Bringing joy; that's the calling. That's our job as artists, I think," McFerrin says.

McFerrin takes the stage for one night only: June 24. His headliner performance is part of the 10-day festival, which runs June 20-29 and features performances across the city, including free shows at

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# Love and survival behind bars

Orange is the New Black stars Taylor Schilling and Uzo Aduba talk about all of Season 2's drama, from Piper's new tough-girl persona to the good intentions behind Crazy Eyes' not-so-good behaviour.

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Orange is the New Black Season 2 opened with a vengeance and never turned back.

In the first season we're introduced to a timid, naive Piper Chapman (Taylor Schilling), an upper middle class, well-educated 32-year-old yuppie finding her way through prison life after being sentenced to 15 months for carrying drug money 10 years prior.

But in Season 2, months into her sentence, Chapman survives on her newfound reputation as a thug after Season 1 ended with her beating a fellow inmate senseless.

This Chapman has a better understanding of what it takes to survive in prison.

"There's a shedding of a skin," Schilling says of her character's hardened shell this season. "There's nothing she can do but adapt."

Chapman is not the only inmate at Litchfield prison who's flexing her muscles. Things get dark in Season 2, and no character gets as dark as Suzanne "Crazy Eyes" Warren, played by Uzo Aduba.

Vee, a sort of den mother and repeat inmate at the prison — and possibly the most terrifying character on television — wants to run the prison, and with that, all the contraband coming in. So she taps into Crazy Eyes' vulnerability, using her need to be respected to do so.

Acting as Vee's enforcer gives Crazy Eyes a sense of purpose. Aduba points out that Vee is one of only two



Taylor Schilling, left, and Uzo Aduba catch a flick inmate-style on Orange is the New Black. NETFLIX

fellow inmates (Chapman being the other) who refers to her by her proper name as Suzanne.

"It's like she feels seen by them," Aduba says. "Vee gives her time and dignity by saying that her job on the work crew was respectable, and that gave her

something that she hadn't really been given by any other inmates."

Without giving away too many spoilers for those viewers taking their time to get through this season (seriously, watch it, so the rest of us who have can stop talking in hushed tones!),

Crazy Eyes takes on her role as Vee's "muscle" with all the vigour you'd expect of someone named Crazy Eyes. Though Aduba sees it a bit differently.

"She was protecting what she loves. It's always with good intentions she does these things. That was

how I was able to not judge her, because her thing isn't that she's enraged, she's just in love."

Orange is the New Black touches on a lot of things: racism, white privilege, sexuality, transgender issues, religion.

Above all, what comes

## Dramedy

- Is Orange Is the New Black a comedy? A drama? Taylor Schilling says, like life, this show is a bit of both. "My experience of life is that these extremes exist, often so close to each other, even if it's the extreme of anger and sadness, or rage and humour. There's just so many extremes that smack up against each other in real life and that's what this show does, I think. This show has so many different colours that meet in the middle, including drama. It's really hard for me to make that call."

## Quoted

"Suzanne is definitely starting to learn as the season winds down that love hurts a whole lot."

Uzo Aduba, Orange is the New Black star, on her character

out is the human instinct to survive at any cost, our basic need to fit in, be respected and, Aduba is quick to add, be loved.

"But Suzanne is definitely starting to learn as the season winds down that love hurts a whole lot. Sometimes you give all of yourself to it and see very little return."

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# There's much Ado about Pedro Pascal

**Gone, but not forgotten.** His Game of Thrones days may be over, but Pedro Pascal isn't short on work

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New Yorkers could call Pedro Pascal a hometown boy made good. Best known for his portrayal of the late, great Oberyn Martell on Game of Thrones, the 39-year-old Chilean began his acting career in New York City as an undergrad at NYU. And for an actor in that town, there's no bigger stage than Central Park's Delacorte Theater, where Pascal is currently bringing the drama as the villainous Don John in Much Ado About Nothing, part of Shakespeare in the Park and presented free by The Public Theater.

We caught up with the Brooklyn resident ahead of Monday's official opening to talk being back on stage and

the fan response to Oberyn.

## How did you get involved with the production?

When I found out that they were going to be doing Much Ado About Nothing in the park, I was hoping to be seen for the role of Don John. I was actually in New York (in March) for the premiere of Game of Thrones, and there was this tiny window to audition for (director) Jack O'Brien.

## You're a pretty physical actor. Do you feel better suited to the stage or screen?

My training is in the theatre; I'm much more knowledgeable of film as an audience member. There isn't really anything that can compare to being onstage in front of an audience. It's always hard to answer this question, because a good role in a good play with a good house is an untouchable experience. But there are definitely really interesting things about doing on-camera work that can't be achieved onstage as well. So I wouldn't necessarily be able to choose one over the

other. I do love the physical experience of being onstage; it's a pretty demanding one. I love discovering the definitions of a character through physicality.

## What will stay with you about the Game of Thrones experience?

This was definitely the best part I'd ever played, and it was the best writing that I'd ever gotten to do on television. The creative experience of getting to sink your teeth into a delicious character, in a project that has found such success, — such a blockbuster television show — and what makes it that I think is ultimately really good storytelling. So to be able to play a really great character within something as large as that is something that I'll creatively never forget. The creative experience of getting to do David (Benioff) and Dan (Weiss)'s writing in that world, and getting into the skin of that character and being in Michele Clapton's costumes, and all the attention, that's really special.



Pedro Pascal (right) as Oberyn Martell battles The Mountain on Season 4 of Game of Thrones. MACALL B. POLAN/HBO

## What kinds of reactions have you gotten from fans?

People have been really sweet, very enthusiastic and really supportive. And it's an enormous relief; (Oberyn) was a big undertaking for me, and one that I was pretty nervous about doing because he's such an extravagant character, and

I really wasn't sure how it would be received. And it's always nice to be back in New York, where I've been for 20 years, and have a stranger on the subway start smiling and giving me a thumbs up and a "Congratulations!" or "I'm so sorry you're dead."

## What's next for you?

I will be going down to Colombia to shoot a series for Netflix called Narcos. It's about the rise and fall of Pablo Escobar, and I'll be playing a living DEA agent, Javier Pena, who was sent to Colombia on a U.S. mission to capture and ultimately kill him.

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## July release. Braff readies Video Games: The Movie

The Zach Braff-produced look at the rise and rise of video gaming is primed for digital release on July 15, featuring the likes of Sean Astin, Wil Wheaton, Gears of War creator Cliff Bleszinski and Atari founder Nolan Bushnell.

The project — a Kickstarter-funded feature-length documentary — explores video games' history, their future, and the diverse culture that has sprung up around them, and now has a launch trailer in advance of its July release.

Sean Astin of The Lord of the Rings narrates, and the doc's talking heads include Oculus Rift co-founder Palmer Luckey, Hideo Kojima of the Metal Gear Solid series, Wil Wheaton of Star Trek, Hollywood scriptwriter Max Landis, and actor and Q\*Bert creator Warren Davis, as well as Mark Cerny, Phil Spencer, and Reggie Fils-Aime of PlayStation, Xbox and Nintendo among many others.

Releasing July 15 as a digital download, Video Games: The Movie is targeting an international audience.

The documentary ar-



The poster art for Video Games: The Movie is filled with famous characters. CONTRIBUTED

rives two years after Indie Games: The Movie, another grassroots project chronicling a selection of engaging personalities behind part of the video game industry.

The scene has become increasingly ripe for Hollywood references, too, with Wreck-It Ralph featuring a worn-out arcade game character, and upcoming comedy Pixels based on gaming tropes. **AFF**

## YouTube. New streaming service to exclude indie acts

There's good news and bad news for those of us who were looking forward to YouTube's rumoured arrival in the music streaming market. The good news is that the company has confirmed it's getting ready to launch a service that will compete with everyone from Spotify to Beats Music.

But the bad news is that it looks like there's going to be a sizable hole in its music catalogue: independent music.

That's because YouTube's music streaming service, expected to be called YouTube Music Pass, is going to offer a premium, subscription-based tier that will enable users to download songs and videos for offline playback, and YouTube needs to negotiate rights and terms with music labels to make this a reality.

The major labels have all put pen to paper, but indie labels are currently holding out because they feel they are being forced into agreeing to less than agreeable terms. YouTube's head of content and business operations, Robert Kyncl, confirmed the current deadlock to the Financial

### New York

## Björk to be the subject of MoMA retrospective in spring of 2015

Björk will be getting her own multimedia retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art in New York next year.

The museum will draw on sound, film, visuals, in-

struments, costumes and performance to chronicle the Icelandic singer's 20-plus years as an imaginative and colourful solo artist.

A Wednesday news release says the exhibit will include Björk's collaborations with video directors, photographers and fashion designers.

It will also include a narrative that is both

biographical and fictitious written by the singer and Icelandic writer Sjon Sigurdsson, and a newly commissioned music and film experience.

The Björk retrospective is being organized by Klaus Biesenbach, MoMA's chief curator at large.

It is scheduled to run March 7 to June 7 in 2015.

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### Quoted

"We have tried and will continue to try to help YouTube understand just how important independent music is ..."

WIN chief executive Alison Wenham

Times on Tuesday and also said that those labels that don't sign up will see their songs disappear from the main YouTube website "in a matter of days."

The Google-owned video site's stance is that the stand-off isn't a big deal as independent record labels account for just 10 per cent of the current music industry in terms of number of artists and groups.

However, that 10 per cent accounts for almost one third (32.6 per cent) of global music sales and streams and includes artists such as Adele and bands like The Arctic Monkeys, Radiohead and of course Jack White in all of his musical incarnations, be it as the White Stripes, the Raconteurs or a solo artist. **AFF**



Melanie Griffith

## Griffith proves a little cover up goes a long way in helping hide her past

If her arm is any indication, Melanie Griffith was apparently serious when she filed for divorce from husband Antonio Banderas after 17 years of marriage.

Griffith has a tattoo of a heart with the name "Antonio" in the middle just

below her shoulder, but when the actress showed up at the Taormina Film Festival in Italy she applied heavy make-up to cover up the name, according to Getty Images. The heart surrounding the name was still visible, though, but with a big hole in it.

## Mel Gibson giving a cold shoulder to eastern European women

Mel Gibson's bitter legal battle with ex Oksana Grigorieva has apparently soured him on Russian and Ukrainian women in general.

"He doesn't communicate with Ukrainian or Russian girls anymore. If Mel knows you're from there, he kind of just turns around and leaves," actress Natalie Burn, who plays Gibson's wife in *Expendables 3*, says, according to *Star* magazine. And that became a problem, because Burn herself was born in the Ukraine. "The producer was very nice, and he advised me not to tell him,"



Mel Gibson

she says, explaining that when Gibson asked if she was Brazilian she replied with, "Yeah, that works."

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### The Word

## More Head-ey games from GOT star

MELINDA TAUB

Metro World News

Lena Headey is a monster. I don't mean that her *Game of Thrones* character, Cersei Lannister, is a monster, though that's true. I mean that she herself is a stone cold sociopath. She's toying with GOT fans and she doesn't even feel bad about it.

Headey appeared on Jimmy Kimmel Live wearing a shirt that says "I'm not sorry," surrounded by a heart. It's a clear reference to her Instagram head games, and she should be sorry, because she's driving people to madness.

Her Instagram has been alarming GOT fans' delicate spoiler radar for some time now. Three months ago she posted a picture of herself fooling around with her costar Pedro Pascal, who played Oberyn Martell — specifically, a picture in which she's got her thumbs over his eye sockets. Of course, as we've since learned, Oberyn got his head crushed by the Mountain, which makes Headey's skull-mauling photo a spoiler.

Two months ago, Headey posted another seemingly spoilerific photo: A bunch of rocks arranged into the shape of a heart, captioned "my stone heart." Fans of the books know that a character named Lady Stoneheart



makes an important appearance, and they assumed that Headey had once more spoiled one of this season's major plot twists. However, the finale has come and gone, and there's no sign of Lady Stoneheart.

In other words, she's messing with us. And now she's taunting us about it. I think Lena's been a Lannister for too long.



Justin Bieber ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

## Source claims Bieber rolled 'burrito-sized joints' in his van in 2012

Apparently Justin Bieber's hard-partying ways that have been getting him into trouble lately aren't a new development, at least not according to photos provided by a fan to Radar Online of Bieber and company turning his van into a weed- and beer-fuelled mobile party on a September 2012 trip to Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, Calif.

"They hot-boxed and drank Heinekens from the

fridge Justin keeps in the van," the anonymous source says. "There was no bong or anything, just Justin rolling his own burrito-sized joints. I mean, f—ing huge." Among the revellers was Bieber's then-girlfriend, Selena Gomez. "Everyone smoked, including Selena," the source says. "We smoked at least six joints and were high as a kite by the time we rolled into Knott's."

## Katy and Rob sitting in a tree, K.I.S.S.I.N.G

Robert Pattinson and Katy Perry were reportedly "all over each other" after the L.A. premiere of his new film, *The Rover*, according to *Us Weekly*.

"When Rob saw Katy his eyes lit up. She looked gorgeous in a lace sequin black mini-dress, and they hugged and kissed," a source says. "At least 10 hotties were hovering around Rob, but his focus was on Katy. He kept kissing her the entire night. When Katy got up from a sofa that was in front of a fireplace, Robert walked over to her. They kissed and hugged again. They were clearly trying to



Katy Perry

stay under the radar, but they couldn't help showing their feelings."

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# The nice guy with neckties

**Ralph Lauren.** As the designer is honoured by the Smithsonian for his work, he reflects on his journey to the top

He's a designer who has gone from selling ties from a drawer at the Empire State Building in 1967 to running a corporation with 25,000 employees.

Ralph Lauren was honoured Tuesday by the Smithsonian Institution for his career and to mark the 200th anniversary of the original flag that inspired the writing of the U.S. national anthem.

Lauren was awarded the James Smithson Bicentennial Medal "for his embodiment of the American experience" and for "supporting artistry, creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship for more than five decades."

Lauren sat down with media to discuss his five decades in fashion.

## What drew you into the world of fashion originally?

Luck. No, you know I never went to fashion school. I somehow was a young guy, grew up in the Bronx and ... I don't know how I can put it together, whether it's movies or it's being in a world where you can read books and go to movies and dream.

Also being the youngest child in the family and getting all hand-me-downs and sort of saying, 'Wait a minute, I want my own clothes.'

So when your parents are not able to afford the kind of clothes (I wanted) as a kid growing up, I had to work myself and earn my way and buy my own things. I just



Ralph Lauren celebrated five decades of fashion on Tuesday with a celebration by the Smithsonian. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

wanted to look like one of the guys and have the girls look at me.

## What does this award from the Smithsonian mean to you?

It's probably the greatest honour one could have. The honour is mine to give to them because I'm part of this country.

## What do you consider your career highlights?

I started with neckties, which are a very small thing and people aren't even wearing them today. Neckties helped start my career. When a man wore a tie, it had to make a statement.

I think every time I created a new brand, from men's to women's to children to home, they were interesting elements.

My clothes are not about fashion. They're about living.

## Quoted

"I started with neckties, which are a very small thing and people aren't even wearing them today. Neckties helped start my career."

Ralph Lauren

They're about how you live and how you want to live. And they're not about in-and-out fashion that's trendy or the hot news of the day. I think most people want stability. They want to feel that if they go out and buy something, they want good quality, good value for their money. They don't want to spend it frivolously and find that it's out of style.

## How do you define your philosophy of fashion?

I can say that I'm about style, not fashion. I'm about timeless style, about quality, and that doesn't mean it has to be

boring.

That means it's something that continues on because I don't throw out my clothes. The suit that I'm wearing is an old suit. I didn't just make this suit. I like the familiarity in a way because it's mine ... People say, 'I've worn your clothes for years and my child loves your clothes, my little girl loves your clothes.' I've been very connected to the people out there that buy my things and who appreciate it.

And sometimes they stop and say it, so that's very nice.

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You may have a dozen little black dresses but do you have enough little white dresses? Go online to Trends Report to see how some of your favourite celebs are styling the 'LWD' on the red carpet, and brighten up your wardrobe this summer.

- **Online.** Follow Irene on Twitter at @MetrolreneK or Instagram: kuanirene; metronews.ca/voices/trends-report

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## Canadian street style

Spotted in: Toronto

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Yoga Instructor

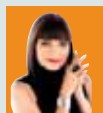
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### Bold as brass

Trendsetting brass is back and looks ship-regal when paired with bright white and navy blue. Hang from tree branches or use to create a nautical table centre-piece. Outdoor brass candle lanterns from \$129, Home-sense.ca

# Hello, sailor!



### In the navy

Bright white porcelain banded with navy creates a classic summer table setting. Roulette Blue Band Dinnerware, 16 pieces, \$175. CrateAndBarrel.com

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### Pillow talk

A vintage nautical-inspired print for dreaming sailors. Sea Anchor Pillowcase, \$20, Simons.ca



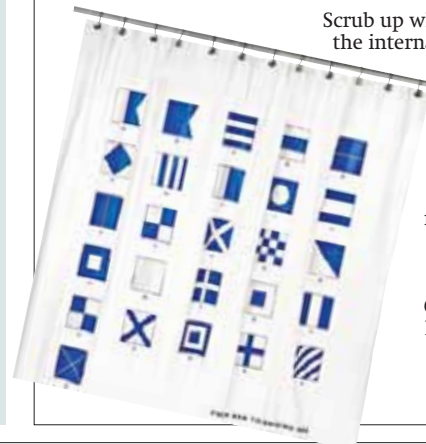
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# Turn no man's land of a 'hellstrip' into a curbside Garden of Eden

**On the boulevard.** Awkward parcels of land lining the street benefit from makeover

Making a yard and a community more beautiful begins at the curb. But that narrow space between sidewalk and street — sometimes called a boulevard, median, hellstrip, parkway, verge or tree belt — is a gardening challenge.

For starters, it's probably owned by the municipality but falls to the homeowner to maintain. So the first step in caring for it is to sort out what

local rules allow.

"You need to go to the city's website if there are any questions about who owns what," said Evelyn Hadden, author of the new book *Hellstrip Gardening* (Timber Press). "The zoning laws should be posted online."

"Some cities have regulations where there can only be lawns there. Some say there can't be vegetables, but allow some kind of lawn alternative," she said. "Some communities change their rules when people start growing gardens and the community gets behind them."

Curb appeal can increase property values for the whole

neighbourhood, Hadden said. "Curbside gardeners are pretty generous that way. They're working for the benefit of everybody."

Even seedy-looking parcels can become natural welcome mats when integrated with front yards. Curbside spaces are often heavily trafficked, however, making them tough to cultivate. The ground is hard-packed, and plants can be crushed. Rocks might add character to the landscape but will dent car doors if placed too near the curb. Tall, dense foliage can be a traffic hazard, preventing passing motorists from seeing pets and children.

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A pedestrian-friendly street makeover in Langley, Wash., includes a number of hellstrip gardens: flowers, trees and shrubs planted between sidewalk and street. DEAN FOSDICK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Create roadside attraction

- Talk with neighbours before getting started.
- Be aware of sight lines, especially at intersections.
- Go with perennials rather than annuals.
- Avoid growing vegetables at roadside sites because of pollution.
- Tree planting is the city's job, he said.
- Be cautious about displaying yard art.
- Boulevards are too narrow to be turned into rain gardens, but they'll be more environmentally friendly if the soil level is kept two inches below the curb.

**You can sometimes fight city hall when it comes to municipal 'lawn only' regulations**

**"Some communities change their rules when people start growing gardens and the community gets behind them."**

Evelyn Hadden, author of the new book *Hellstrip Gardening*

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Start your summer off on the right foot with these four simple projects that are sure to make a splash.

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— News Canada

## CLEAN IT UP, FIX IT UP CITY WILL ENFORCE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

There are plenty of reasons to maintain your home and being a responsible neighbour is just one of them.

All residents are being encouraged to make their communities better by cleaning up and fixing up their properties, according to City of Edmonton's general enforcement unit co-ordinator Troy Courtoille.

"Community standards branch staff are working collaboratively on a project to help educate city residents as to why they need to keep their properties clean. This spring, city council approved funding for the addition of five new bylaw officers with the goal of enhancing clean, attractive and safe communities," he says.

The goal of the initiative is to build and foster relationships among residents and municipal enforcement officers while promoting responsible home ownership and good relations between neighbours.

"Bylaw officers will be raising awareness with property owners on their responsibilities in dealing with issues



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such as messy properties, deteriorating structures and run-down fences. The objective is to promote voluntary compliance with our citizens."

In support, the Capital City Clean Up program will be developing a comprehensive public education campaign to educate citizens on the importance of maintaining their properties.

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## *Paisley community defined by diversity*

When several of Edmonton's top builders join together in creating a unique, new community, the result is nothing short of the greatest block diversity in the city.

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"We focus on establishing character and distinction with a combination of traditional and contemporary home styles, mixing designs to suit every taste but also to give the community diversity," Hamilton says. "The community was named after Edmonton's internationally renowned Fringe Festival founder Brian Paisley and will be defined by its exuberance and diversity, and celebrated as a community for the curious and creative."

With a variety of affordable housing options from townhomes to duplexes and single-family dwellings, Paisley is far from an average community.

### GRAND OPENING

It's exciting times as a new kind of community is set to make its debut in the southwest community of Paisley at Heritage Valley. The Fringe Festival-themed grand opening of the unique and diverse community is set to change the landscape on Saturday, June 28 from 12 p.m. until 5 p.m. with 13 beautiful showhomes, a chalk artist, children's activities, and hotdogs and popcorn. For more information on the community, please visit [PaisleyCommunity.com](http://PaisleyCommunity.com).

"There's a unique quality about a development that mixes different styles of homes together side by side and we want our buyers to find the home that suits them perfectly. That's what sets Paisley apart and makes it a one-of-a-kind community."

Located in a quiet residential neighbour-



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hood of southwest Edmonton, Paisley is just a 20-minute drive to downtown with homes starting in the \$290,000s from a variety of established, award-winning homebuilders including Brookfield Residential, Coventry Homes, Daytona Homes Master Builder, Homes by Avi and Innovations by Jayman.

There is no shortage of amenities close by including established schools, parks, recrea-

tion facilities, transit and shopping services, Hamilton adds.

"The smaller sized community was planned for individuals in many different phases of life, from younger couples looking to buy their first home to growing families requiring more space to older couples looking to downsize. Family friendliness was built into Paisley's design."

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"Our developers are really supportive of how our new plan really stands out and enhances the feel of the neighborhood," Brianna Belle-Rive Kurka, the general manager of Thomsen Built, says. "We have an amazing build and design team and we have a lot of repeat customers because they trust our team and know that we are offering a level of quality and value that they are just not finding anywhere else. We really love what we do."

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"Our finishings and standards are higher than most and our customers are usually pleasantly surprised that what they see are our standards and that they don't really feel the need to do the upgrades. The Westcoast shows its dedication to clients' wants and needs."

Thomsen Built has been in business for more than 14 years in Edmonton and the surrounding area. The company has focused on creating beautiful and affordable homes without sacrificing quality products or finishes.

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# Play dress-up with your barley burger

**Backyard bites.** This vegetarian burger is made with an ancient grain that will not only fill you up, but is good for you, too!

"Fire up the grill!" write Pat Inglis and Linda Whitworth in their book *Go Barley*.

"These vegetarian barley burgers are simple and easy to make. Serve in buns and top with salsa or wasabi stirred into mayonnaise, as well as lettuce, sliced tomatoes, and onions."

"You can also add a slice of cheese while browning the second side."

1. In a medium saucepan over high heat, combine barley and water; bring to a boil. Reduce heat and cover pan; simmer for 45 to 50 minutes or until barley is tender. If necessary, drain any excess water. Spread in a shallow dish to cool.

2. In a large skillet over medium-high, heat half of the oil. Add onion, garlic, and carrot; stir and cook for 3 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Add mushrooms and cook until any liquid evaporates. Add parsley, lemon rind, salt, and pepper. Combine mixture with barley. Stir in 1/2 cup (125 ml) of the bread crumbs. Place in a food processor and process



This recipe serves six. THE ALBERTA BARLEY COMMISSION (GOBARLEY.COM)

## Ingredients

- 1 cup (250 ml) pearl barley
- 3 cups (750 ml) water
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) canola oil, divided
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
- 1 small carrot, finely chopped
- 1/2 lb (250 g) mushrooms, chopped
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped parsley
- 1 tsp (5 ml) grated lemon rind
- 1 tsp (5 ml) salt
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) pepper
- 2 cups (500 ml) fresh bread crumbs, divided

until mixture holds together but you can still see some of the barley.

3. On a plastic-wrap-lined tray or baking sheet, spoon mixture into 6 portions; shape into patties and coat with remaining bread crumbs.

4. In a large skillet over medium-high, heat the remaining oil and cook burgers

5 minutes per side or until browned and crisp. Alternatively, heat the barbecue to medium-high and generously spray the grill with oil. Barbecue for 5 minutes per side.

RECIPES EXCERPTED FROM *GO BARLEY* BY PAT INGLIS AND LINDA WHITWORTH (TOUCHWOOD, 2014). YOU CAN FIND THIS RECIPE AND MORE AT [GOBARLEY.COM](http://GOBARLEY.COM).

## Ingredients

- 1 tbsp (15 ml) canola oil
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) chopped onion
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) pot barley
- 1 cup (250 ml) reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 4 cups (1 l) salad greens
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) sliced red onion
- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) each diced cooked ham, halved grape tomatoes
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) pitted and sliced Kalamata olives
- 3/4 cup (175 ml) diced English cucumber
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) balsamic or sun-dried tomato salad dressing

## Side. Layered Barley Salad



This recipe serves six. THE ALBERTA BARLEY COMMISSION (GOBARLEY.COM)

1. In a medium saucepan over medium-high, heat oil. Add onion and sauté until softened, about 2 minutes. Stir in barley and chicken broth. Bring to a boil; cover pan and reduce heat to simmer for 40 minutes, then cool.

2. In a large, tall glass serving bowl, layer torn mixed salad greens and thinly sliced red onion. Spoon cooked barley on top, then layer ham, tomatoes, olives, and cucumber. Store in the refrigerator until ready to serve. Add dressing just before serving and toss lightly.

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Group A

## Mandzukic leads Croatia to send Cameroon home

Mario Mandzukic scored two goals Wednesday to keep Croatia in the mix at the World Cup with a 4-0 win over 10-man Cameroon, which cannot now advance from the group stage.

Mandzukic, who returned to the team at the Arena da Amazonia after sitting out the opening loss to Brazil through suspension, headed in a corner from Danijel Pranjić in the 61st minute and then knocked in a rebound in the 73rd of the Group A game.

Ivan Perisic also scored one goal and made another for Ivica Olic.

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Nigeria

## Bomb blast kills 14 watching World Cup

Survivors of a bomb blast at an illegal World Cup viewing site in northeast Nigeria that killed at least 14 people said Wednesday the force of the explosion blew off limbs and knocked people senseless.

Unrelated to the attack, police said security forces arrested nearly 500 people, including a "terror kingpin" in the southeast of the country.

At least 26 people were wounded in Tuesday night's blast as soccer fans were viewing the Brazil-Mexico match in Damaturu, the capital of Yobe state, police said.

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# Hasta la vista, Spain

**Eliminated.** Chileans oust mighty Spaniards with a 2-0 win

Defending champion Spain, the dominant global football power for the past six years, was eliminated from World Cup contention Wednesday with a 2-0 loss to Chile.

Spain's famed passing game failed against a high-tempo, tenacious Chile team, its era ending in the storied Maracana Stadium filled mostly with Chilean supporters.

Eduardo Vargas tricked goalkeeper Iker Casillas into diving the wrong way, then shot into an unguarded goal in the 20th minute. Charles Aranguiz scored in the 43rd when the ball landed at his feet after Casillas punched out a free kick.

Spain's second loss, after a 5-1 rout by the Netherlands, ended any hope of advancing. In Group B, Chile and the Netherlands will both advance, regardless of who wins the game between them.

Spain won the European Championship in 2008 and 2012, in addition to the 2010 World Cup.

Spain came to Brazil with a very similar — but older — team than the one that won those titles. They added Brazilian-born striker Diego Costa, but he failed to score a goal.

Spain's "tiki-taka" style of play — keeping the ball for long stretches with short passes, and only shooting when you had a clear opening — had not been working as well in recent years. Brazil defeated Spain 3-0 in last summer's Confederations Cup, a warm-up for the World Cup.

Spain became the third straight European defending



Sergio Busquets of Spain reacts after a missed scoring chance against Chile on Wednesday in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.  
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Group B

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Spain	Chile

World Cup champion to flop in the group stage. France in 2002 and Italy four years ago also failed to advance, or even win a match.

Badly needing a win, del Bosque stayed loyal to captain Casillas despite the veteran goalkeeper's errors against the Dutch.

Two pillars of Spain's title runs, Barcelona pair Xavi Hernandez and Gerard Pique with

a combined 194 appearances, were left out.

Xabi Alonso probably should have joined them. His agonizing first half typified Spain's problems and his errors led to both goals.

And Alonso's selection left a younger version of his former self, Atletico Madrid's Koke, on the bench until the logical change was made at half time.

Alonso gave away the ball to Alexis Sanchez to start a move down Chile's right wing by Arturo Vidal and Aranguiz, leading to Vargas' score. Alonso trailed behind the play and put his hands to his head.

Alonso was booked in the 40th before conceding another foul, on Sanchez, three minutes later 20 metres out.

When Casillas punched

away Sanchez's curling free-kick, Aranguiz trapped the ball then flicked a rising shot spinning away from the goalkeeper's reach.

Alonso had Spain's best early chance, a 15th-minute shot smothered by Chile goalkeeper Claudio Bravo.

Often wayward in its passing, Spain missed two clear chances early in the second half.

Costa was slow on Andres Iniesta's threaded pass in the 49th, and Sergio Busquets was guilty of a glaring miss, volleying wide from five metres in the 53rd.

After Bravo pushed away shots by substitute Santi Cazorla and Iniesta, Chile's win was sealed.

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# Brantford's David Hearn ready for elusive PGA victory

## Three top-10 results.

Canuck feels he can 'put it all together' this season

Canada's David Hearn came achingly close to his first PGA Tour victory last season.

He's had three top-10 results this season and feels ready to put it all together and finally hoist a trophy at the top level.

"I feel really close," Hearn said Wednesday. "I got really close last year at the John Deere (Classic) just before the Canadian Open. I'm a little bit surprised it's taken me quite as long to get back into contention."

"But I feel like everything is right where it needs to be



Canada's David Hearn  
GETTY IMAGES

to have a week where I know I could put it all together. I've improved a lot of little areas of my game and I feel like my

game is consistently better."

Hearn's best career finish came at the 2013 John Deere Classic. He was tied with Jordan Spieth and Zach Johnson after regulation but Spieth took the title by hitting a par putt on the fifth playoff hole.

The 35-year-old from Brantford, Ont., is enjoying a short break before ramping things up in July. He plans to play at The Greenbrier Classic early next month before returning to the John Deere Classic.

Entry in the British Open remains a question mark for now but Hearn is locked in for the July 24-27 RBC Canadian Open at the Royal Montreal Golf Club. He has yet to play the Île-Bizard, Que., course but feels his game should be a good fit for the old-style, tree-lined layout. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



## Blue Jays blowing it in Bronx

Toronto Blue Jays starter Mark Buehrle looks into the outfield after surrendering a two-run home run in the fourth inning against the Yankees' Brian McCann on Wednesday night in New York. The Jays lost 7-3. **JIM MCISAAC/GETTY IMAGES**

## Andrew Ference

## Oilers captain gets Clancy trophy

Oilers captain Andrew Ference has won the King Clancy Memorial Trophy for leadership and humanitarian contributions.

Ference has worked on behalf of the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation and other charitable organizations since signing with the team last summer.

The veteran defenceman brought the community fitness-oriented November Project to Edmonton from Boston. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Behind their bench

## Kings keep Sutter's staff intact

The Los Angeles Kings have promoted John Stevens to associate head coach and resigned assistant coach Davis Payne and goalie coach Bill Ranford. The moves to keep Darryl Sutter's staff intact were announced Wednesday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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## Horoscopes

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

Everyone thinks you're a star so why are you being so negative about your prospects? Step outside yourself today and see how you look through other people's eyes.

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

There is no point cursing fate if what happens today is not to your liking. In the long-term everything will come good, so never doubt that no matter what happens, you will be stronger for it.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You pride yourself on being rational but with Mercury, your ruler, moving retrograde not every thought you have will be based on reason. Don't be too stubborn. There are times when it's OK to change your mind.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

An offer will tempt you but can you be sure it is genuine? According to the planets you have reason to be suspicious, so take care when dealing with people who promise you the world for a small investment.

### Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

People will be moody today, which in turn will annoy you. Before the situation spirals out of control remind yourself that in the greater scheme of things it's of little importance.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

A relationship will come under pressure today and if you say the wrong thing it may even end. Tomorrow you will regret having been so outspoken but it needed to happen.

### Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You are at a crossroads as far as a creative project is concerned. Do you carry on with it or do give up and focus your energy in a new direction? Give it some serious thought.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Make sure you get your chores out of the way as quickly as possible over the next 24 hours. If you let what should have been done today wait until tomorrow you will fall behind and may never catch up.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

It is vital that you deal with an outstanding feud immediately because if you allow it to linger it will hold you back and that could be disastrous.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

If you aren't in the mood to work today, don't push yourself. Even if you force yourself to do what is expected of you it's unlikely you'll do a good job of it, so wait until you are in a more positive frame of mind.

### Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

What are you waiting for? Something is holding you back from taking risks and that's a shame because the planets suggest that if you take a chance today it could pay off in a big way. Do you dare?

### Pisces

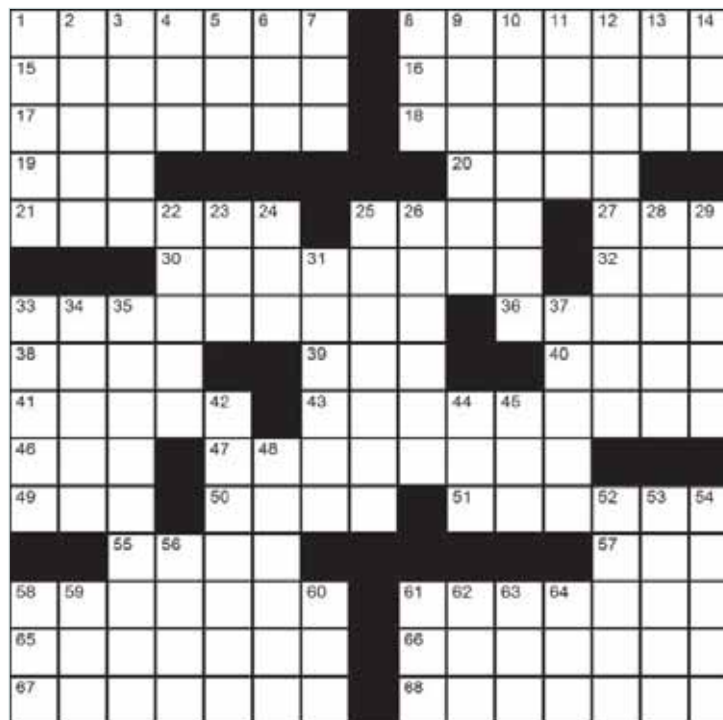
Feb. 20 - March 20

You are worrying about things you have no way of changing. According to the planets what you fear the most is the one thing that is least likely to happen, so be brave and go on the attack. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

### Across

- Halifax pita specialties
- Oscar Peterson tune about a Mont-real locale: "Place \_\_\_"
- Seasoning sort
- Sunglasses and spectacles
- Lake Ontario archipelago-by-the-city, Toronto
- Stretches out
- First word in *Inferno* by Dante
- Long times
- John Travolta movie
- Prefix to 'dextrous'
- Get the parcel, briefly
- "Elvira: \_\_\_ of the Dark" (1988)
- Have a bug
- Ron Sexsmith song about his St. Catharines, ON hometown: "\_\_\_ Street"; or, Pen name J.K. Rowling uses for her new crime novel *The Silkworm*, Robert
- Nero's 1406
- Actor Mr. Jannings
- Hr. part
- Geese: French
- Juliet's beloved
- "Chopped Canada" host Dean
- Regret
- Roof window
- 12 mo. periods



- Foundation
- Sisters: French
- Norse thunder god
- Egg mass
- Taken aback
- Kirkland Lake, ON: \_\_\_ & South Mine Complex
- Ms. Judd
- Strange

- Most profound
- Claude \_\_\_ (French composer, b.1862 - d.1918)

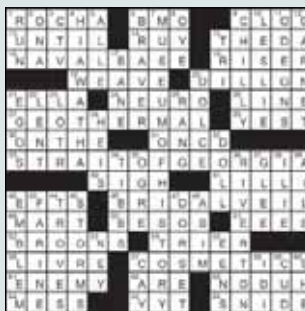
### Down

- Faring
- Canadian figure skating great Brian
- Portia's "Ally McBeal" character
- Turkish title [var. sp.]
- Sir McKellen
- Boxing bout div.
- Rihanna's "\_\_\_ (Rescue Me)"
- Ms. Hinton's
- Easygoing people, e.g.: 2 wds.
- Valour
- Mr. McGregor

See today's answers at [metronews.ca/answers](http://metronews.ca/answers).  
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

- Pekka Salonen
- The = Definite
- Henna-on-hands artwork
- Spotted cat-like mammal
- "Kathy Griffin: My Life on the \_\_\_"
- Mr. Horton's donut chain, endearingly
- Canadian comedian Mr. Dee
- Love: French
- Sedimentary rock kind
- Le \_\_\_ de Monte-Cristo
- Bob Einstein's alter ego, Super Dave
- For instances, for short
- Greek alphabet's 17th letter
- Actress Ms. Allen's
- Bear, fancy-style
- Civil Rights activist Ms. Parks, and namesakes
- Mattress manufacturer
- Basketball net
- E-Mail subj. line directive
- Caustic
- Info, briefly
- Spa mask ingredient
- 'Meth' suffix
- Lion's offspring
- Pac-12 sch.

## Yesterday's Crossword

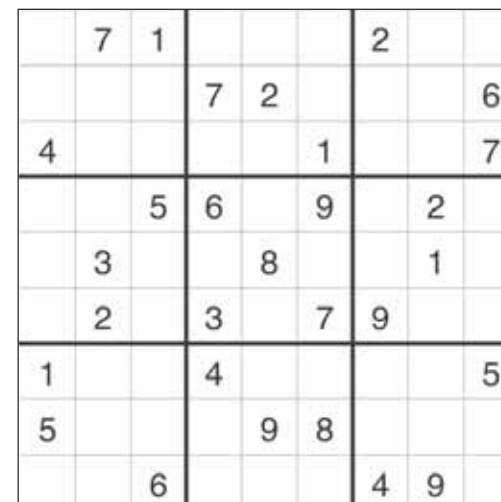


## Sudoku

### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

## Yesterday's Sudoku



## Weather

TODAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



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MIN: 14°



MAX: 21°  
MIN: 13°



MAX: 26°  
MIN: 11°



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